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FOLLOWING CABLE SENT ACTION NEW DELHI AUGUST 1 REPEATED TO YOU:

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: MNUC, TECH, IN  
SUBJ: APPLICATION FOR EXPORT LICENSE XSNM-1222

1. CONGEN HAD JUST RECEIVED LETTER FROM J.C. SHAH DATED  
JULY 27 INQUIRING ABOUT THE STATUS OF INDIA'S PENDING  
APPLICATION FOR 16.7 TONS OF ENRICHED URANIUM.  
SHAH'S LETTER NOTES THAT SINCE XSNM 1060 HAS BEEN SHIPPED QUOTE  
ONE HOPES THAT THE OTHER LONG PENDING APPLICATION, XSNM-1222  
FOR 16.7 TONNES WILL BE EXPEDITIOUSLY CLEARED. WE  
LOOK FORWARD TO AN EARLY INTIMATION OF RECOMMENDATION  
BY THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO THE NRC FOR THIS. UNQUOTE

2. BOTH SHAH AND SETHNA TOLD ME THAT THE PURPOSE OF THIS  
LETTER IS TO OBTAIN AN EARLY REAFFIRMATION THAT THE  
EXECUTIVE BRANCH INTENDS TO MOVE EXPEDITIOUSLY IN  
SUPPORTING THIS APPLICATION AS PORTENDED BY DEPART-  
MENT'S PAPER ENTITLED "ANSWERS TO TECHNICAL QUESTIONS  
RAISED BY MR. SHANKAR AND MR. SETHNA DURING DIS-  
CUSSIONS IN NEW YORK ON JUNE 9, 1978."  
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3. SHAH AND SETHNA NOTE THAT THE 7.6 TONS OF EN-  
RICHED URANIUM WHICH HAS JUST ARRIVED WILL KEEP THE  
NFC AT HYDERABAD IN OPERATION FOR LESS THAN FIVE  
MONTHS. GIVEN THEIR EXPERIENCE WITH NRC ACTIONS  
THEY BELIEVE IT IS NONE TO SOON TO START ACTION ON  
NEW APPLICATION IF ANOTHER INTERRUPTION OF PRODUCTION

AT THE NFC, WHICH HAS BEEN OUT OF OPERATION FOR MORE THAN FIVE MONTHS, IS TO BE AVOIDED.

4. AS EMBASSY AND DEPARTMENT AWARE, MANY IAEC SCIENTISTS AND ADMINISTRATORS DOUBT THAT THE U.S. INTENDS TO CONTINUE SUPPLYING TARAPUR AND THEY SEIZE ON ANY DELAYS TO MAKE THIS POINT. TO DIMINISH EFFECT OF THIS KIND OF CRITICISM AND GIVE THOSE GOI OFFICIALS WHO ARE TRYING TO REACH ACCOMMODATION WITH U.S. BEST POSSIBLE CHANCE ACHIEVE THEIR GOAL IT IS IMPORTANT THAT U.S. DEMONSTRATE IT INTENDS TO CONTINUE SUPPLY DURING 18-24 MONTH PERIOD PERMITTED BY LAW. IF WE STILL INTEND TO ACT IN ACCORD WITH REPLY TO SHANKAR'S QUESTION NO. 5 CONGEN BELIEVES WE SHOULD REPLY TO SHAH'S LETTER PROMPTLY BY SAYING THAT WE EXPECT TO PROVIDE EXECUTIVE BRANCH VIEWS TO NRC AT EARLY DAY, OR AS SOON AS FIFTH COMMISSIONER CONFIRMED, AS CASE MAY BE. COURTNEY UNQUOTE GOHEEN

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